## PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]

## **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Massage Therapy hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 131, "Licensure of Massage Therapists," Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendment removes the requirement for the Board to send a renewal notice to the licensee. This change is being made to make licensure requirements consistent with Code of Iowa changes.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment no later than February 1, 2011, addressed to Pierce Wilson, Professional Licensure Division, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, E-mail pwilson@idph.state.ia.us.

A public hearing will be held on February 1, 2011, from 9:30 to 10 a.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Conference Room, Lucas State Office Building, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendment.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 21, 147, 152C and 272C.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 131.8(1) as follows:

131.8(1) The biennial license renewal period for a license to practice massage therapy shall begin on the sixteenth day of the anniversary month and end on the fifteenth day of the anniversary month two years later. The board shall send a renewal notice by regular mail to each licensee at the address on record at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the license. The licensee is responsible for renewing the license prior to its expiration. Failure of the licensee to receive the notice from the board does not relieve the licensee of the responsibility for renewing the license.